

NEWS RELEASE

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Beginning Farmer and Military Veteran Workshop Series Announced

Free Education Series to Offer Beginning Farmer Resources

DES MOINES— Iowans have an opportunity to learn about beginning farmer programs available to them at a series of upcoming free workshops. The education sessions will include presentations from experts at Farm Service Agency, Iowa Agricultural Development Division and Veterans in Agriculture and will also feature regional agricultural lender panels.

The Iowa Agricultural Development Division's Beginning Farmer Programs will be highlighted, including low-interest loans for the purchase of land, buildings and equipment; Iowa tax credits for landowners who lease to beginning farmers; and Iowa tax credits for farmers to hire a beginning farmer for custom work.

The workshop series is sponsored by the Iowa Agricultural Development Division, Iowa Bankers Association, Farm Service Agency, FFA Alumni and Veterans in Agriculture.

• Thursday, March 3: Calmar

Northeastern Community College Iowa Dairy Center, Building 8 Room #115 1625 Hwy 150 S, Calmar

Tuesday, March 8: Emmetsburg

Iowa Lakes Community College Auditorium 3200 College Dr., Emmetsburg

• Thursday, March 10: Ankeny

Des Moines Area Community College Ankeny Campus FFA Enrichment Center 2006 S. Ankeny Blvd, Ankeny

Thursday, March 31: Ottumwa

Indian Hills Community College Bennett Student Services Building Room 100 525 Grandview Ave., Ottumwa

• Friday, April 8: Mason City

North Iowa Area Community College Muse-Norris Conference Center Room 180D 500 College Dr., Mason City

• Tuesday, April 12: Cedar Rapids

Kirkwood College Horticulture Building Auditorium 6301 Kirkwood Blvd SW, Cedar Rapids

Thursday, April 14: Creston

Southwestern Community College Instructional Center Room 180 1501 W. Townline St., Creston

• Friday, April 15: Carroll

Des Moines Area Community College Carroll Campus 900 N Grant Rd., Carroll

COST: Free

TIME: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

REGISTRATION: <u>IowaFinanceAuthority.gov/IADD</u>

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